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STATE OF NEW JERSEY
DEPARTMENT OF LAW & PUBLIC SAFETY
DIVISION OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS
BOARD OF NURSING

IN THE MATTER OF THE LICENSE OF

Administrative Action

SUSAN LAFFAN, R.N. License No. 26NO07625400

CONSENT ORDER

TO PRACTICE NURSING IN THE STATE OF NEW JERSEY

This matter was opened to the New Jersey State Board of Nursing (the "Board") upon receipt of information that Susan Laffan, R.N. ("Respondent") was terminated from her employment with Southern Ocean Medical Center on February 17, 2012 for alleged misconduct. Specifically, Respondent accessed the medical records of patients not assigned to her, including the record of a co-worker. Respondent made a copy of the record of her co-worker and placed it in the mailbox of the Emergency Department Manager.

The Board hereby finds that Respondent's conduct, namely accessing the medical records of patients not assigned to her,

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of N.J.S.A. 45:1-21 (e). The parties having agreed to the resolution of this matter without further formal proceedings, and Respondent making no admissions, having agreed and given her voluntary consent to the within Order, and the Board finding the within disposition adequately protective of the public health, safety and welfare, and other good cause having been shown,

IT IS, on this day of Nove , 2013,

ORDERED AND AGREED that:

- 1. Respondent is hereby reprimanded for professional misconduct in that she accessed the medical records of patients not assigned to her, including the record of a co-worker.
- 2. Respondent is hereby ordered to take and demonstrate to the Board successful completion of an ethics course, which shall not be online.

NEW JERSEY STATE BOARD OF NURSING

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Patricia Murphy, PhD., APN,

Board President

I have read this Order.
I understand the terms and conditions of this Order and agree to be bound by them.
I hereby consent to the entery of this Order.

Susan Laffan, R.N.

Dated: